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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 09/813,949 Confirmation No. : 2825
Applicant : Estanislao Martinez MARTINEZ, et al.
Filed : March 22, 2001
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Examiner : E. Quan
Docket No. : 3582/49228
Customer No. : 23911
Title : Device for Extracting and Taking Samples From an
Aqueous Solution in a Substrate

AFTER-FINAL REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116
EXPEDITED HANDLING REQUESTED

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The following is responsive to the Office Action mailed on or about
December 16, 2003.

Extension of Time begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which
begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Applicant hereby requests that the period to take action in the above-captioned application be extended by 2 months pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a).

A check in the amount of \$210.00 is submitted herewith in payment of the required extension fee for a small entity applicant. This amount is believed to be correct, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-1323